



The Ally Challenge

Warwick Hills Golf and Country Club | Grand Blanc, Michigan | August 27-29, 2021

Second-Round Notes

Saturday, August 28, 2021

Course Setup: Par 72 / 7,140 yards

Weather: Partly sunny skies with highs in the low-90s and winds SSW at 5-10 mph.

Note: The first round finished at 8:56 a.m. (ET). The second round started at 10:05 a.m. (ET). Lift, clean and place was in effect for both the first and second rounds.

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	Player	To Par	Scores
T1	Doug Barron	-14	66-64 – 130
T1	Bernhard Langer	-14	64-66 – 130
3	Joe Durant	-13	65-66 – 131
4	Thongchai Jaidee	-12	67-65 – 132
5	Marco Dawson	-11	64-69 – 133

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- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Final-Round Tee Times](#) (Golf Channel: 2:00-4:30 p.m. ET)
- PGATOURmedia.com (transcripts and other resources available for download)

Bernhard Langer, 64-66 – 130 (-14)

- The day after shooting his age on his 64th birthday, Langer made six birdies in a bogey-free 66 in the second round. After two rounds, Langer leads the field in birdies (15).
- Langer's 130 total, matched by Doug Barron, after two rounds sets an Ally Challenge record for 36 holes. The previous record was 132 (Jerry Kelly, 2019).
- With a win on Sunday, Langer would become the oldest winner in PGA TOUR Champions history (64 years, 2 days).
 - He would pass Scott Hoch (63 years, 5 months, 4 days), who won the 2019 Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf at Big Cedar Lodge with partner Tom Pernice Jr.

- The oldest individual winner in PGA TOUR Champions history is Mike Fetchick (63 years, 0 days), who won the 1985 Hilton Head Seniors Invitational.
- With a win on Sunday, Langer would earn his 42nd win on PGA TOUR Champions. His 41 wins are second-most all-time, behind Hale Irwin (45). Langer's last win was the 2020 Cologuard Classic.
- With a win on Sunday, Langer would move into the No. 1 position in the Charles Schwab Cup standings. It would be his 15th week this season atop the standings and would end Jerry Kelly's streak at No. 1 at seven weeks.
 - It would be the 148th week Langer has been No. 1 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings since he joined PGA TOUR Champions. He has won the Charles Schwab Cup five times, most recently in 2018.
- This is the 40th time Langer has been a leader/co-leader entering the final round on PGA TOUR Champions, and he has gone on to win 24 times.
 - Solo leader: 19-for-28 (Last: Won, 2019 TimberTech Championship)
 - Co-leader: 5-for-11 (Last: Won, 2018 SAS Championship)
- This is the fifth time Langer will play in the last group of the final round in the 2020-21 season. He is 0-for-4 converting those into wins.
- One day after shooting his lowest 18-hole score at The Ally Challenge, Langer carded his second-lowest score at the event with his second-round 66. He has broken par in all 14 rounds at this event.
- Making his fourth start at The Ally Challenge, Langer has finished in the top 10 in each of his first three appearances. He has finished T8 (2018), T7 (2019) and T7 (2020).

Doug Barron, 66-64– 130 (-14)

- Barron's bogey-free 64 on Saturday matches the lowest of his 125 rounds on PGA TOUR Champions for the fifth time (last time: R1, 2021 Shaw Charity Classic).
- Barron and Langer's 130 total breaks The Ally Challenge's previous 36-hole record by two (132: Jerry Kelly, 2019).
- Through 36 holes, Barron and Steven Alker (6th) are the only players who remain bogey-free.
- This is the fourth time Barron has led/co-led entering the final round on PGA TOUR Champions:
 - 2019 DICK'S Sporting Goods Open (Won)
 - 2019 SAS Championship (T3)
 - 2021 Shaw Charity Classic (Won)
- Barron earned the second of his two PGA TOUR Champions titles two weeks ago at the Shaw Charity Classic in Calgary.
- Sunday will be the second time Barron has played in the last group of the final round this season on PGA TOUR Champions (2021 Shaw Charity Classic, Won).
- Making his third appearance at The Ally Challenge, Barron finished T27 in 2020 and T21 in 2019.
- In 29 starts this season on PGA TOUR Champions, Barron has five top-10s and is currently ranked No. 17 in Charles Schwab Cup standings.
- With a win tomorrow, he would become the 10th player to earn two or more titles during the 2020-21 PGA TOUR Champions season.

Joe Durant, 65-66 – 131 (-13)

- Durant made six birdies en route to bogey-free 6-under 66 and enters the final round at 13-under in third place.
- The Pensacola, Florida native is a three-time winner on PGA TOUR Champions, is looking for his first victory since the 2018 Chubb Classic.
- Making his third start at The Ally Challenge, Durant's best prior finish was T14 in 2020.
- In 25 starts this season, Durant's best finish is T12 at the 2020 Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai.

Thongchai Jaidee, 67-65 – 132 (-12)

- A native of Thailand, Jaidee earned a spot in the field after carding 66 in the open qualifier at Flint Golf Club on Tuesday.

- This is the 51-year-old's ninth start on PGA TOUR Champions (best finish: T11/2021 Principal Charity Classic).
- Jaidee owns seven titles on the European Tour, most recently at the 2016 Open de France, and 10 wins on the Asian Tour.
- He became the first golfer from Thailand to qualify for The Presidents Cup International team in 2015.
- With a win, he would become the first player from Thailand to win on PGA TOUR Champions.

Other Notes

- **Marco Dawson** shot 3-under 69 and sits in fifth at 11-under entering the final round. Dawson is seeking his third win on PGA TOUR Champions, and first since The 2015 Senior Open Championship.
- **Steven Alker** carded a 7-under 65 on Saturday and remains bogey-free through 36 holes. The New Zealand native earned a berth in the field after successfully Monday qualifying for last week's Boeing Classic in Seattle and finishing inside the top-10 at T7 to advance.
- The par-4 15th hole has played as the most difficult at Warwick Hills Country Club after two rounds with a 4.183 scoring average.
- Three Michigan natives are in the field this week, here is where they stand through 36 holes:
 - **George Bowman** – 82 (+10)
 - **Tom Gillis** – T46 (-2)
 - **Scott Hebert** – T46 (-2)
- The field includes 10 players who won the Buick Open when it was played at Warwick Hills.
 - **Woody Austin** – T7 (-9)
 - **Dan Forsman** – 81st (+9)
 - **Jim Furyk** – T10 (-8)
 - **Tom Pernice Jr.** – T46 (-2)
 - **Kenny Perry** – T23 (-6)
 - **Billy Mayfair** – T28 (-5)
 - **Rocco Mediate** – T46 (-2)
 - **Larry Mize** – T16 (-7)
 - **Vijay Singh** – T10 (-8)
 - **Scott Verplank** – 80th (+7)